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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MEXICAN CULTURAL MISSION

LED BY MRS. ECHEVERRIA

REF: MEXICO 1117

1. MRS. ECHEVERRIA'S JANUARY 25 VISIT TO PANAMA WAS LIMITED TO AN ALL-DAY TRANSIT OF THE PANAMA CANAL-WHICH PHYSICALLY WENT SMOOTHLY-AND A DINNER HOSTED BY THE WIFE OF PRESIDENT LAKAS ON TABOGA ISLAND THAT EVENING. MRS. ECHEVERRIA DID NOT DISEMBARK EXCEPT AT TABOGA, A SMALL ISLAND OFF THE PACIFIC ENTRANCE OF THE CANAL, AND PROCEEDED THE SAME NIGHT FOR COSTA RICA.

2. THE MEXICAN FIRST LADY'S BRIEF VISIT RECEIVED LITTLE MEDIA COVERAGE-FOCUSSED ON THE DINNER-AND HAD NO SUBSTANTIVE IMPACT.

3. COMMENT. CANAL ZONE AUTHORITIES MADE EVERY EFFORT TO EXTEND VIP COURTESIES AND FACILITIES DURING HER TRANSIT BUT WERE REBUFFED WITH THE EXPLANATION THAT MRS. ECHEVERRIA WAS ILL. HER ILLNESS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN A "DIPLOMATIC" ONE, HOWEVER, AS SHE APPEARED IN EXCELLENT FORM AT THE DINNER SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

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